

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENNA 3591

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: UN, PFOR, WA, UK, FR  
SUBJECT: UN CONFERENCE TO THE SUCCESSION OF STATES TO TREATIES

REF: VIENNA 3513

1. UK AND FRENCH DELEGATIONS HAVE APPROACHED US DELEGATION  
ON INSTRUCTIONS TO URGE US TO VOTE AGAINST ANY MOVE TO  
GRANT COUNCIL OF NAMIBIA RIGHT TO VOTE OR SIGN FINAL ACT.  
ACCORDING TO UK AND FRENCH DELEGATIONS, THEY BELIEVE VIRTUALLY  
ALL OF THE EC9 PLUS CANADA AND POSSIBLY NORWAY AND AUSTRALIA  
WOULD BE PREPARED TO CAST NEGATIVE VOTE. FRANCE INSTRUCTED  
VOTE AGAINST IN ANY CASE AND UK INSTRUCTED DO SO IF THEY  
HAVE RESPECTABLE COMPANY.

2. UK AND FRENCH DELEGATIONS SEPARATELY INFORMED US THAT  
THEIR GOVERNMENTS HAVE MADE THIS REQUEST TO US IN LIGHT  
NOT ONLY OF VIEWS ON IMPROPRIETY OF TREATING NAMIBIA  
COUNCIL AS GOVERNMENT OF SOVEREIGN STATE BUT IN LIGHT  
CURRENT FIVE POWER TALKS WITH SAG.

3. WE HAVE AVOIDED CANVASSING MEMBERS WEO GROUP IN  
DETAIL IN ORDER NOT BE SEEN AS EITHER SUPPORTING OR  
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OPPOSING ANGLO FRENCH EFFORT TO OBTAIN NEGATIVE VOTES BUT  
INCLINE TO BELIEVE THEIR VOTING ESTIMATE WOULD TURN  
OUT TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY CORRECT IF WE WERE TO BE  
INSTRUCTED TO VOTE NO.

4. IT SEEMS LIKELY IN LIGHT OUR CONTACTS WITH CONFERENCE  
PRESIDENT AND OTHER DELEGATIONS THAT NAMIBIA ISSUE WILL

NOT BE FURTHER RAISED AT THIS SESSION. IF, HOWEVER,  
ISSUE IS RAISED IT MOST LIKELY BE RAISED 4 PM MAY 4 LOCAL  
TIME OR AT LATEST AM MAY 5. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS ASAP.MEEHAN

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